IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
CHANDIGARH

CWP No.9243 of 2006
Date of decision: 10. 7.2007

Balkaur Singh

...Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ADARSH KUMAR GOEL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAI LAMBA

Present: Mr. Kapil Kakkar, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Mr. Suvir Sehgal, Add.AG, Punjab for respondent Nos.1 and 2.
Mr. RK Singla, Advocate for respondent No.3.
Mr. Gurpreet Singh, Advocate for respondent No.4

JUDGMENT:

This petition seeks a direction to allow the petitioner to join course of Sub Fire Officer.

Case of the petitioner is that he joined Municipal Council, Mansa as a Driver Operator on 17.7.1995. On 30.1.2006, he submitted an application for permission to attend the Sub fire Officer course conducted by National Fire Services College, Nagpur. The Municipal Council recommended his application subject to the condition that the petitioner himself will bear the

expenditure but respondent No.2 – Director, Local Government did not allow the same.

The writ petition has been opposed on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 and 2 by pointing out that the petitioner not being eligible for promotion as Sub Fire Officer, he has no right to be allowed to attend the said course. Reference has been made to Punjab Municipal Fire Service Rules, 1977 and Standing Orders issued under Section 3 thereof. As per Annexure 'D' to the Standing Orders, Annexure R-2, it is provided that Sub Fire Officer course conducted by National Fire Services College, Nagpur is required for promotion to the post of Sub Fire Officer.

In view of stand taken on behalf of the respondent that the petitioner is not eligible for promotion and that only person eligible for promotion to the post of Sub Fire Officer can be allowed to attend the course in question, we do not find any merit in the prayer for a direction that the petitioner be allowed to attend the said course.

Accordingly, the petition is dismissed.

(Adarsh Kumar Goel)
Judge

July 10, 2007
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(Ajai Lamba)
Judge